## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
## ABSTRACT

Public Services – MA&UD Department – Public Servants – Allegations of corruption against Sri P.Eswara Rao, Municipal Revenue Inspector and Sri D.Venkateswara Rao, Bill Collector, Revenue Section of Vizianagaram Municipality - Trapped by the Anti Corruption Bureau on 03.07.2014 - Sanction of prosecution against the A.O. Sri P.Eswara Rao, Municipal Revenue Inspector – Charge sheet filed by the ACB – Retired from service - Convicted by the Spl. Judge for SPE & ACB cases, Visakhapatnam – Punishment of "withholding of 100% pension and DCRG permanently" – Orders – Issued.

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**MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Rt.No.225** **Dated.22.02.2024.**

**Read the following:**

1. From the D.G., ACB, Hyd, in his Radio Message Dated:04.07.2014.
2. Govt.Memo.No.10941/Vig.I/2014-1, Dated:10.07.2014.
3. Progs.Roc.No.376/2014/A1, dated:11.07.2014 of RDMA of Visakhapatnam.
4. Final report received from D.G., ACB, vide Lr.dated:29.06.2015.
5. Govt.Memo.No.10941/Vig.I/2014-1, Dated:27.08.2015.
6. Govt.Memo.No.10941/Vig.I/2014-1, Dated:03.05.2016.
7. Conviction orders Dt.16.10.2023 in CC.No.2 of 2016 received from Hon'ble III Addl. District Judge –cum –Special Judge for SPE & ACB cases, Visakhapatnam.
8. From the D.G., ACB., A.P., Vijayawada, Rc.No.157/RCT-VVZ/2014-S.12, Dated:28.12.2023 received on 03.01.2024.

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**ORDER:**

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the DSP., ACB, Vizianagaram Range, in his Radio message dated. 04.07.2014 had informed that on 03.07.2014, Sri Pasupureddy Eswara Rao, Municipal Revenue Inspector, Revenue Section and Sri Doppalapudi Venkateswara Rao, Bill Collector, Revenue Section, O/o. Municipal Office, Vizianagaram were trapped when they demanded and accepted an amount of Rs.10,000/- bribe from the complainant Sri Kakarla Srinu, for doing official favour "For Assessing and Fixing the House Tax of the newly constructed house of the complainants friend.

2. In the reference 4th read above, the D.G., ACB furnished the final report and among others recommended to prosecute the A.O.1 Sri P.Eswara Rao in a Court of Law for the offences Under Section 7 and 13(2) r/w 13(1)(d) of the PC, Act 1988 on the allegation that the A.O.1 demanded Rs.50,000/- as bribe through A.O.2 by directing the complainant to hand over the bribe amount to A.O.2 as bribe from the complainant for assessing and fixing the house tax of the newly constructed house of the complainant friend. The DG, ACB also recommended prosecution to A.O.2 i.e Sri D.Venkateswara Rao, Bill collector of Vizianagaram Municipality in a Court of Law for the offences Under Section 12 of

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PC, Act 1988 (Sanction Order is not required against A.O.2) on the allegation that as per direction of A.O.1, the A.O.2 knowingly accepted Rs. 10,000/- as bribe from the complainant.

3. In the reference 5th read above, the Government, after following due procedure, directed the Regional Director of Municipal Administration, Visakhapatnam to consider and accord sanction for prosecution, against the Accused Officer Sri P.Eswara Rao, Municipal Revenue Inspector, Vizianagaram Municipality in a Court of Law under section 7 and 13 (2) r/w 13(1)(d) of the P.C. Act, 1988. Subsequently, vide proceedings dated:27.11.2015, the RDMA, Visakhapatnam accorded sanction for prosecution against Sri P. Eswara Rao, the then MRI, Vizianagaram.

4. In the reference 7th read above, the Hon'ble III Addl. District Judge –cum –Special Judge for SPE & ACB cases, Visakhapatnam has passed judgment against the Two(2) A.Os Sri Pasupureddy Eswara Rao(A1), the then Municipal Revenue Inspector (Retired) and Sri Doppalapudi Venkateswara Rao(A2), the then Bill Collector (Retired), Vizinanagaram in C.C. No. 02/2016 on 16.10.2023. The operative finding of Hon'ble Court as under:

> *" In the result A1 found guilty for the offence U/Sec.7, 13(1)(d) r/w 13(2) A2 found guilty for the offence U/Sec. 12 of PC Act. Accordingly they are convicted U/Sec.248 (2) Cr.P.C. A1 is sentenced for a period of 2 years and shall pay fine Rs. 10000/- IDSI two months for the offence U/Sec.7 of PC Act and further sentenced to imprisonment for a period of one year and shall pay fine of Rs. 5000/- IDSI for one month for the offence U/Sec. 13(1) (d) r/w 13(2) of PC Act. The remand period if any already undergone by the accused shall be set off U/Sec. 428 Cr.P.C. Both the sentences shall run concurrently. A2 is sentenced to suffer imprisonment for a period of 6 months and shall pay fine of Rs. 5000/- IDSI for one month for the offence U/Sec. 12 of PC Act. The remand period if any already undergone by the accused shall be set off U/Sec. 428 Cr.P.C".*

5. In the reference 8th read above, the D.G., ACB while furnishing the said Conviction orders of the Special Judge for SPE & A.C.B. Cases, Visakhapatnam, has requested to take necessary action against the Two(2) A.Os i.e., Sri Pasupureddy Eswara Rao, the then Municipal Revenue Inspector (Retired) and Sri Doppalapudi Venkateswara Rao, the then Bill Collector (Retired), Vizianagaram, under Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for withholding of pensionary benefits and orders in force.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter; keeping in view of the orders of the Hon'ble III Addl. District Judge –cum –Special Judge for SPE & ACB cases, Visakhapatnam and Rule 8(2) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised pension Rules, 1980 read with Rule 9 of the said Rules and decided to impose a punishment of withholding of 100% pension, and DCRG permanently of the Two (2) A.Os, Sri Pasupureddy Eswara Rao, the then Municipal Revenue Inspector (Retired) and Sri Doppalapudi Venkateswara Rao, the then Bill Collector

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(Retired), Vizianagaram (since the A.Os were retired from service on 30-06-2018 & 30-11-2020 respectively) for the conduct which has led to their conviction in C.C.No.02/2016, Dt.16.10.2023.

7. Accordingly, the Government hereby impose the punishment of "withholding of 100% pension and DCRG permanently of the Two (2) A.Os, viz. Sri Pasupureddy Eswara Rao, the then Municipal Revenue Inspector (Retired) and Sri Doppalapudi Venksateswara Rao, the then Bill Collector (Retired), Vizianagaram, under rule 8 (2) read with rule 9 (1) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised pension Rules, 1980 for the conduct which has led to their conviction in C.C.No.02/2016, Dt.16.10.2023.

8. The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

9. The receipt of the G.O., shall be acknowledged.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**Y. SRILAKSHMI**
**SPEICAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
Sri Pasupureddy Eswara Rao, the then Municipal Revenue Inspector (Retired),
Vizianagaram- **through** the C&DMA., A.P., Guntur.
Sri Doppalapudi Venksateswara Rao, the then Bill Collector (Retired),
Vizianagaram- **through** the C&DMA., A.P., Guntur.
The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur.

**Copy to:**

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Principal Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Vijayawada.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Mangalagiri, A.P., Guntur District
SF/SC .

**// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //**

**SECTION OFFICER.**